

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the title at line 1 on page 1 of the specification as follows.

--METHOD OF PREPARING A MOLDED CROSS VEHICLE BEAM--

Please insert the following between lines 1 and 3 on page 1 of the specification.

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATION

The present patent application claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. §121 of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/321,321, filed December 17, 2002, now United States Patent No. 6,____,____ B1.